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LUCID INTERVALS

Two Poles were grilled by the Soviet secret police. The first was freed, the second sent to jail. The first managed to speak to the second before he was taken away.

"What did you say?" he whispered hurriedly.

"I admitted I bought black-market butter while the Nazis were here," the other replied.

"Why were you so foolish as to admit that?"

"I had to," returned the jailed one. "The fellow examining me sold me the butter."

A Texan heard that a factory in Ohio was interested in buying bullfrog skins. He wired that he could supply any quantity up to 10,000 on demand. Needing the skins in a hurry, the factory wired him to send the entire 10,000 at once.

A few days later, a single frog skin arrived through the mail with the following letter:

"Gentlemen: I'm sure sorry about this, but here's all the frog skins there were. The noise he made sure fooled me."

Voice (on record shop phone): "Have you got anything by that Irish girl with the strong voice?"

Clerk: "Well, there's Clancy, Clooney, Shannon. . . ."

Customer: "No, her name is Mary O' something."

Clerk: "We've got Mary Martin, who sings real good. But you want . . ."

Customer: "Mary O' something."

Clerk: "Would you be bearin' in mind that dainty colleen now, Mario Lanza?"

Customer: "That's her."

A woman of cynical Missouri stock was complaining about the ineffectiveness of her hearing aid.

"Why not get a new one?" her son inquired.

"The kind I want would cost two hundred dollars."

"Well, why not get it?"

"No," she replied wistfully, "not for two hundred dollars. There isn't that much worth hearing."

